

POWER in the PACIFIC

Official battle photographs of our Navy in action on the sea and in the sky



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A dramatic sequence of official Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps photographs, depicting the men, the sea, the ships and planes, bombardments, landing operations and attacks on the enemy's fleet.

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Published for the MUSEUM OF MODERN ART by Wm. E. RUDGE'S SONS New York, 1945 Here is the war in the western seas, and here are the men who fight it. Here are the tools of the warrior's trade — the guns, the ships, the airplanes. Here is the force that America sent into Far East waters — Midway, Saipan, Guadalcanal, the beach of bloody Tarawa, Lingayen Gulf, and Guam and Truk, and far-off gloomy Formosa. Yesterday these men were boys; today they are seasoned warriors. Yesterday the airplanes were but lines on a thousand blueprints; today they sting the air with death, and shake the earth with blastings. Yesterday the ships lay stacked in piles of shapeless metal; today they cleave the trackless sea, belching steel and brimstone against the slimy fever swamps, the mountain caves, the jungle.





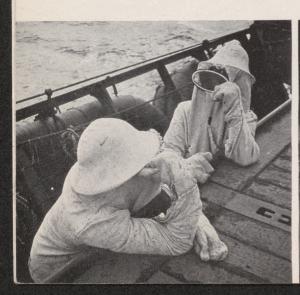










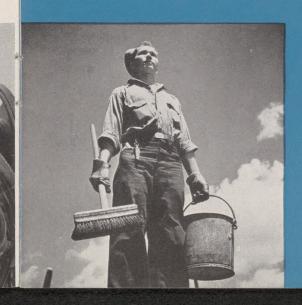






Here is the camera story of men battling across the Pacific. Here are the warriors and here are the warrior's tools.









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"Pilots man your planes"







Our dive bombers blast strong points from the air



KWAJALEIN



Smoking Marcus



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Giant Guns and rockets from the fleet roar destruction upon enemy fortifications - soften his defenses.



H - Hour on Saipan











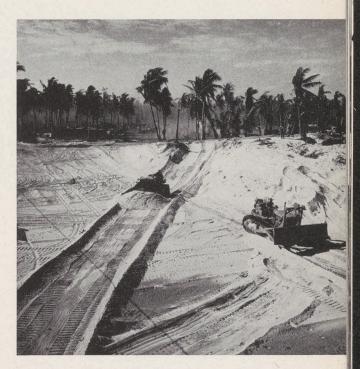
The Marines, with rifle, bayonet, grenade and flame thrower, clear the enemy, Jap by Jap, from the beachhead.



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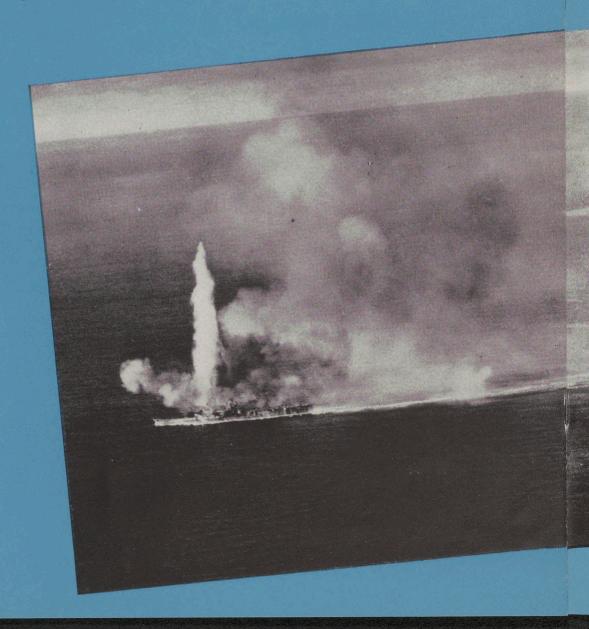
Yesterday this boy thought only sick people died.

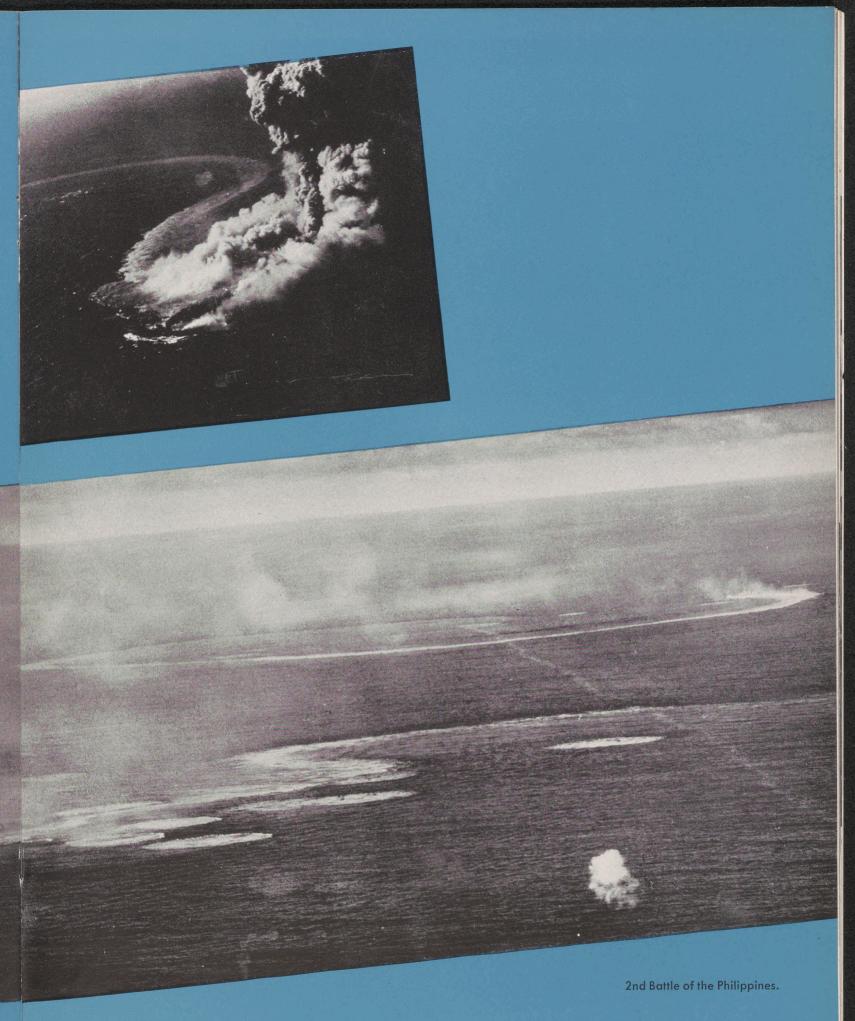






The Imperial Japanese Fleet takes a pasting.



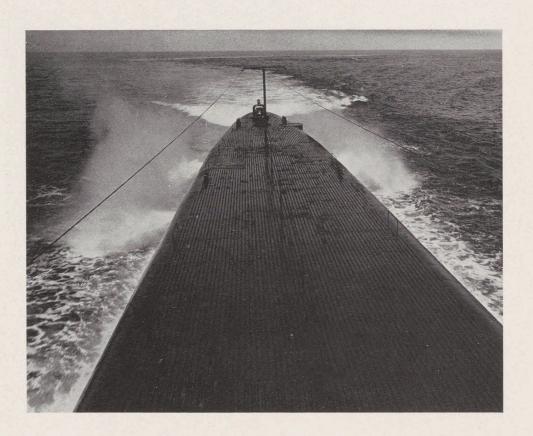






"Now here was this Jap Carrier doing tight circles so I peeled off . . ."





Submarines sink ships. Prowling the sea lanes, American undersea boats and American undersea crews are quietly shortening the war with every torpedo fired.





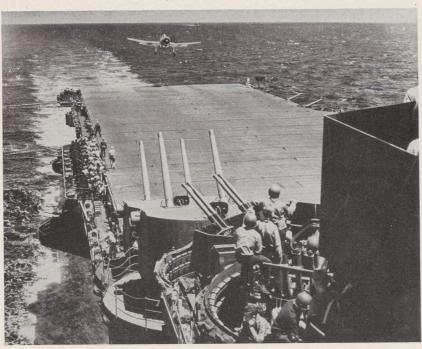




-- and we take it too!



The eagles return to the nest





"—took Him down and wrapped Him in clean linens"



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